

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, statistics have shown that, each year, approximately 800,000 children across our nation, or one every 40 seconds, are reported missing, and natural and man-made disasters increase the risk of families being separated and unable to easily locate each other; and

WHEREAS, the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) and the FBI are partners in the National Child Identification Program and have a goal of completing identification kits for the more than 60 million children across our country; and

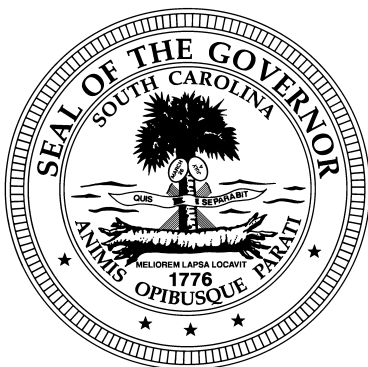
WHEREAS, South Carolina credit unions are providing child ID kits to more than 670,000 students across the Palmetto State; and

WHEREAS, this child identification initiative is ideally suited for the Safe and Drug-Free Schools programs in our public schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 2005 as

CHILD IDENTIFICATION MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the need for proactive child identification and to use all available means to keep their families safe.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA